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IN REPLY REFER TO:

May 4, 1964

Mr. Jean J. Couturier
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National Civil Service League
315 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y. 10016

Dear Jean:

The following is an attempt to boil down the ideas generated by our pleasant meeting on Wednesday.

I believe that many of the criticisms are difficult to correct and still cut time.

1. Not being able to meet recipients (all ideas suggested would tend to prolong the program).

A suggested solution: Recipient Agency have an informal reception for its winner following the dinner - a day after).

2. Our recipient would have liked to have had more time to get to know the other recipients.
3. Lighting was poor (I believe that you answered that).
4. You asked, but I do not believe there was much discussion, "What can be done to keep it alive during the year?"
5. Changing Format. After discussing various ways - I believe we all returned to the fact that the dinner was the most workable.
6. Cost is a problem. (However, considering the attendance, how much of a one is it?)
7. Still too many at the head table.
8. More time needed to arrange publicity, especially TV and Radio. (NBC late news, showed pictures of reception after the dinner Tuesday night April 13th).

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely yours,

TO: Agency Ctee. Members, 1964 Awards Dinner:

I am delighted to send you the above summary of our April 29, 1964 "post mortem" meeting.

Charles F. Pentz

Again, my sincere thanks.

Jean J. Couturier